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| For Continued Examination (RCE) | Filing Date | October 17, 2000 | | |
| Transmittal | First Named Inventor | Koji Kotani et al. | | |
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| Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 | Examiner Name | A. Alavi | | |
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. 1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114 | Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on Other ii b. | x | Enclosed Amendment/Reply X Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) Other 2. Miscellaneous Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required) 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 22-0185 X RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) iii. Other _ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) Name (Print/Type)

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| Deposit Account | С | onnol | ly Bo | ove Lodge & Hutz LLP | 1051 | 130 | 2051 | 65 | Surcharge – late filing fee or oath | |
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| X Cha | | | | 1053 | 130 | 1053 | 130 | Non-English specification | | |
| X Cha | arge a | any addit | ional f | ee(s) or any underpayment of fee(s) | 1812 | 2,520 | 1812 | 2,520 | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination | |
| Cha | Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee | | | 1804 | 920* | 1804 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | | |
| to the ab | to the above-identified deposit account. | | | 1805 | 1,840* | 1805 | 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | | |
| | FEE CALCULATION | | | 1251 | 110 | 2251 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | | |
| 1. BAS | IC F | ILING | FEE | | 1252 | 420 | 2252 | 210 | Extension for reply within second month | |
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| | ee (\$) | Fee Code | Fee (\$) | <u>Fee Description</u> Fee Paid | 1254 | 1,480 | 2254 | 740 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| | 70 | 2001 | 385 | Utility filing fee | 1255 | 2,010 | 2255 | 1,005 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 1002 3 | 40 | 2002 | 170 | Design filing fee | 1401 | 330 | 2401 | 165 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 1003 5 | 30 | 2003 | 265 | Plant filing fee | 1402 | 330 | 2402 | 165 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 1004 7 | 70 | 2004 | 385 | Reissue filing fee | 1403 | 290 | 2403 | 145 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 1005 1 | 60 | 2005 | 80 | Provisional filing fee | 1451 | 1,510 | 1451 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 0.00 | | 1452 | 110 | 2452 | 55 | Petition to revive – unavoidable | | | | |
| | | | | 10 11 12 (1) (0) | 1453 | 1,330 | 2453 | 665 | Petition to revive - unintentional | |
| 2. EXT | RA | CLAIM | FEE | S FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE | 1501 | 1,330 | 2501 | 665 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| | | | | Extra Fee from Claims below Fee Paid | 1502 | 480 | 2502 | 240 | Design issue fee | |
| Total Clair | ns | | -** : | = x = | 1503 | 640 | 2503 | 320 | Plant issue fee | |
| Independe Claims | ent | | .** : | - x = | 1460 | 130 | 1460 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| Multiple D | eper | ndent | | | 1807 | 50 | 1807 | 50 | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q) | |
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| Fee F | ee \$) | Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee Description | 8021 | 40 | 8021 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | |
| 1202 1 | 18 | 2202 | 9 | Claims in excess of 20 | 1809 | 770 | 2809 | 385 | Filing a submission after final rejection | |
| 1201 8 | 36 | 2201 | 43 | Independent claims in excess of 3 | 4045 | 770 | 2012 | 005 | (37 CFR 1.129(a)) For each additional invention to be | |
| | 90 | 2203 | 145 | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid | 1810 | 770 | 2810 | 385 | examined (37CFR 1.129(b)) | |
| 1204 8 | 36 | 2204 | 43 | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent | 1801 | 770 | 2801 | 385 | Request for Continued Examination (RCE) | 770.00 |
| 1205 1 | 18 | 2205 | 9 | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 | 1802 | 900 | 1802 | 900 | Request for expedited examination of a design application | |
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